



### INTO PRAYER

What is one way that others could pray for you this week? Who can you share this with?

If you are in a Community Group, write down how you can pray for others in the group. (If not, ask a friend how you can pray for them.)

# WEEKLY TAKE-HOME Bible Study

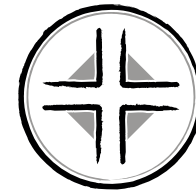
WEEK OF OCT 1

### HOW THIS WORKS

This Bible study is a weekly tool intended to help you reflect on what God says in the Bible.

We invite you to take a few unhurried moments this week to reflect on the included passages, answer a few questions (inside), and note how these verses encourage you to pray (back).

We hope you enjoy drawing near to God through His Word (Heb. 11:6) while also preparing for Community Group.



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## ESSENTIALS OF A STRONG CHURCH

### TITUS 2:1–10

But as for you, teach what accords with sound doctrine. Older men are to be sober-minded, dignified, self-controlled, sound in faith, in love, and in steadfastness. Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine. They are to teach what is good, and so train the young women to love their husbands and children, to be self-controlled, pure, working at home, kind, and submissive to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be reviled. Likewise, urge the younger men to be self-controlled. Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, dignity, and sound speech that cannot be condemned, so that an opponent may be put to shame, having nothing evil to say about us. Slaves are to be submissive to their own masters in everything; they are to be well-pleasing, not argumentative, not pilfering, but showing all good faith, so that in everything they may adorn the doctrine of God our Savior.

### EPHESIANS 4:15–16

Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

### COLOSSIANS 1:27–28

To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ.



#### INTO THE WORD

What sticks out to you in this text? What ideas or questions come to mind?

What do these verses communicate about Jesus and the gospel?



#### INTO MY LIFE

How is God moving you to apply these verses?  
How can they impact your week?



#### INTO THE WORLD

How do these verses help you pray for, serve, or reach out to your community this week?